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REMARKS

Claims 29-34 and 36-64 are currently pending in the present application. No new matter has been added herewith. The following addresses the substance of the Office Action.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claim 42 was rejected as being indefinite. In particular, there was no antecedent basis for the claim limitation "inflammation". Claim 42 is amended to recite "chronic inflammation", which has antecedent basis in Claim 29.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph

Claims 36-64 were rejected as containing subject matter which was allegedly not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. The following table is provided in response to the Examiner's request that the written support for the claims be indicated.

Claim	Representative Support in the Specification as Filed
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37	Claim 3 as originally filed; page 3:8-12
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40	page 18:24
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42	page 2:3-4; page 9:17-20
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45	page 22:5-13
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50	Claim 3 as originally filed; page 3:8-12
51	Claim 7 as originally filed; page 11:24
52	page 3:8-12
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63	page 22:10
64	page 9:25-page 10:2; page 10:9-13

In light of the above-indicated written support for each of claims 36-64, the Applicants respectfully request removal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

No Disclaimers or Disavowals

Although the present communication may include alterations to the application or claims, or characterizations of claim scope or referenced art, the Applicants are not conceding in this application that previously pending claims are not patentable over the cited references. Rather, any alterations or characterizations are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, including subject matter found to be specifically disclaimed herein or by any prior prosecution. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any parent, child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that the Applicants have made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter supported by the present application.

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CONCLUSION

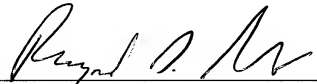
In view of Applicants' amendments to the Claims and the foregoing Remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any remaining concerns which might prevent the prompt allowance of the application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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